GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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BILATERAL AGREEMENT BY AI AND INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of bilateral air traffic agreements entered between Air India and other international airlines between November, 1999 and till date;

(b) the total revenue expected to be earned; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to overcome a huge loss by Air India due to shortage of aircrafts to operate for Europe and U.S.?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): Air India have entered into Commercial Agreements with fourairlines namely Sabena (Belgium), Emirates (UAE), Virgin Atlantic (UK) and Aeroflot (Russia) during the period from November, 1999 to November, 2000.

(b): Air India`s total revenue earning from commercial arrangements with foreign airlines was of the order of Rs.80.65 crores during the financial year 1999-2000. The earning during the period April-September, 2000 is estimated to be Rs.37.42 crores.

(c): AI has signed agreements for dry lease of four A-310-300 aircraft to overcome the shortage of aircraft, as an interim measure.